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The Race for Senator



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IN THE THREE previous articles I have demonstrated that my Republican opponent has been an ineffective pinwheel in both his conduct and voting record. Today I will prove this in further detail. Then my following two articles will deal with my statements of program and aims to give our state the LEADERSHIP it deserves in the United States Senate.

My Republican opponent has stated that the significant issues of the day are medical care for the aged, urban renewal and educational advancement.

Let us look at my Republican opponent's record on each of these.

MEDICAL CARE FOR THE AGED—Anyone who has followed the initial recognition of this problem by former President Truman in his State of the Union message of Jan. 5, 1949, and the endeavor of President Kennedy to solve this problem, both as a Senator and President, knows that my Republican opponent's sideswitching and crippling amendments dealt the death blow to the program. I fully expect to represent this state in the 88th Congress and will sponsor legislation which will lead to an effective program for the aged.

URBAN RENEWAL—Here, too, my Republican opponent is found wanting. He voted NO on legislation to increase the federal government's share of the cost of urban renewal projects (Amendment to S-1922, 87th Congress). This is similar to his action Feb. 5, 1959, when he voted against the Monroney Amendment providing for a 4% per cent rate of interest for veterans' housing loans.

It is my intention to sponsor legislation that will remedy the problem facing us in New York as a result of the movement from the cities to the suburbs. This will include a program for more orderly suburban expansion, a revitalization of the home construction industry and an easing of housing credit for moderate and middle income families.

EDUCATIONAL ADVANCEMENT—There is no question in anyone's mind as to the need for increasing our educational programs both in school facilities and curriculum so that the maximum of quality education will be provided. Here my Republican opponent has been most neglectful. His record is not only barren of legislation in this field but has been one of obstruction. He voted against the Morse Amendment to the 1960 School Assistance Act. In 1959 he voted against the Long Amendment, which would have provided educational loans and grants for 1955-1963 veterans.